

REMARKS

Claims 7-23, 25-30, 36 and 37 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-4, 6 and 31-35 are hereby canceled by this Amendment without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the canceled claims in one or more continuation applications.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating claims 7-23 and 25-30 are in condition for allowance.

Applicants have amended claim 20 into independent form to incorporate all the features of base claim 1. Claim 22 is also amended to incorporate all the features of base claim 1. Additionally, new claim 36 is hereby added which correspond to claim 20 incorporating all the features of base claim 2. New claim 37 is hereby added by this Amendment (corresponding to canceled claim 24) and submitted to be allowable, at least by virtue of its dependency from allowable claim 36.

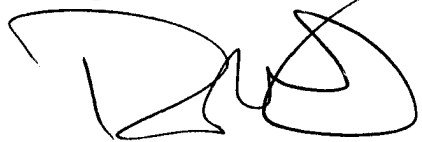
As all of the non-allowed claims have been canceled by this Amendment, Applicants submit the Application is in condition for immediate allowance.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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